The Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator would like to announce the following operational changes for the Town of Henniker. We continue to actively monitor the COVID-19 situation, which is rapidly evolving. The Town is committed to the continued health and optimal safety of our residents as well as our employees, and we intend to do our part to “flatten the curve” of the COVID-19 pandemic. On Friday evening Governor Sununu issued a state of emergency for the State of New Hampshire. The Governor also directed all schools to close and work toward a virtual environment at least until April 6th. Officials have discussed our position moving forward through this crisis. We respectfully ask that if you are sick you make every attempt to conduct your business online or via phone or email. Employees have been advised to discretely refuse to provide services to any person who is obviously sick with COVID-19 symptoms such as coughing, shortness of breath, and fever. The following measures are currently in place to restrict access to facilities and limit potential exposure of our residents and town staff to the virus:

- The Town Office is open for business but closed for public visitation until further notice. Staff will continue working behind the scenes and will work to respond to you as quickly as possible. Many of our services are already provided online through our website at www.henniker.org. (Some of these items are: Vehicle registration renewal, dog license, vital statistics, zoning application, abatements, tax cards) Staff contacts are located at the end of this message and on the town's website. We will continue monitoring email and phone messages throughout this crisis. Until further notice the Building Department will be curtailing non-essential inspections. We have added a drop box at the front and rear door to make it easier to drop off permits and other paperwork. Please do not include payment at this time—we will follow up. For NEW vehicle registrations and transferring of plates please call the Town Clerks Office, this will be done by appointment only.

- The Library is closing for the remainder of the week and will reassess at that time.

- All recycling at the transfer station is suspended until further notice. The trash compactor will be available for disposal of household waste. You may dispose of recyclables with your household waste. We ask that if you can retain your recyclables until the situation abates and recycle them later, it would be appreciated. Additionally, please use discretion discarding bulky waste and wait to discard items requiring a disposal fee, such as televisions or propane tanks, until the situation abates.

- The Highway Department and Wastewater facilities will be restricting public access. Please call the department if you need their services.

- Police/Fire/Rescue will continue to serve the residents of our town on a “business as usual” basis, however, we ask that you keep all non-emergency calls to a minimum so that they may devote their time to those residents in need of emergency services.

- All non-mandatory committee meetings are hereby postponed. The only meetings that shall continue are the Board of Selectmen, Planning and ZBA if required by RSA.

- All events are hereby cancelled at the Community Center and Grange.
We ask for your patience during this difficult time as we do our best to protect our residents and our staff. We ask you to exercise care in your personal contacts and follow those practices being recommended by health officials. Please check our website and Facebook page for updates. Information from the State of NH can be obtained by dialing 211.

Important Contacts:

Have a question for a particular department? Please contact the following staff members either via email or by phone.

**General Questions/Comments/Concerns**
Joseph Devine  Town Administrator  603-428-3221 x105  townadministrator@henniker.org

**Finance Questions**
Russ Roy  Finance Director  603-428-3221 x104  finance@henniker.org

**Vehicle Registration/Tax Questions**
Kim Johnston  Town Clerk  603-428-3221 x226  townclerk@henniker.org

**Marriage License/Dog License/Birth Certificates/and other Vital Certificates**
Deb Aucoin  Deputy Town Clerk  603-428-3221 x227  deputyyyc@tds.net

**Assessing Department**
Helga Winn  Assessing Technician  603-428-3221 x102  assessing@henniker.org

**Land Use/Building Department**
Jean Eaton  Executive Secretary  603-428-3221 x101  secretary@henniker.org

**Fire Department**
Jim Morse  Fire Chief  603-428-7552  hennikerfirechief@gmail.com

**Police Department**
Matt French  Police Chief  603-428-3213  hpd.mfrench@tds.net

**Rescue Department/Health Department**
Greg Aucoin  Rescue Chief  603-428-7552  rescue@henniker.org

**Transfer Station**
Kristen Bergeron  Transfer Superintendent  603-428-7604  transfer@henniker.org

**Highway Department**
Leo Aucoin  Highway Superintendent  603-428-7200  roadagent@henniker.org

**Wastewater**
Ken Levesque  Wastewater Superintendent  603-428-7215  wastewater@henniker.org